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Dear Sir:

Enclosed herewith for filing with respect to the above-identified patent application, please find:

1. Amendment and Response to Office Action dated July 25, 2002.

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Dear Sir:

Kindly amend the above-identified application as follows.

In the Claims:

Claims 1, 3, 28 and 55 have been amended. Claim 30 is cancelled. Please replace the claims with the following "clean" version:

- Rule 1.126
- 1. An active pixel sensor disposed on a semiconductor substrate, comprising:
a photosensor having a first terminal and a second terminal, said first terminal coupled to
a first reference potential;